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BEREAN FARM - 1800-1850 - North side of Benson Mill Road, 0.3 mile east of Falls Road. This was the site of milling activity at least as early as 1782 when Jacob Lemmon's mill was authorized to accept wheat in lieu of cash for Baltimore County tax payments. Shown as James Benson's on 1818 tax list. Mill passed to Sallie W. Benson in 1906 and she was still owner in 1918 when the dimensions were the same as those given in 1798. The location was once called Berean (pronounced be-REAN)). Large double brick house survives, 6 bays wide, 2 stories, with a low, 2-story wing on north end; red tin roof, gable style; porch across the four inside bays of main block; Federal style; blank end wall on south. Owner: Catherine H. Gemmill.